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SUBJECT: 2008 Capitalization Rate Study – FINAL

DATE: April 11, 2008

MEMORANDUM

Attached is the Colorado Division of Property Taxation's 2008 FINAL state assessed properties capitalization rate study for your review. Should you have any questions, contact any member of the State Assessed Properties section.

Changes and corrections from the 2008 preliminary study for the 2008 Final Capitalization Rate Study are:

- The <u>median</u> Capital Structure and Debt and Equity rates for each industry group is used to determine the capitalization rate for each industry except for the Airline Industry, Rural Telephone Companies, and Affiliated Power Producers.
- 2. The 2008 final Affiliated Power Producer (APPs) capitalization rate is **11.36%**. For 2008, we calculated the capitalization rate for APPs to be the midpoint of the major electric cap rate of 9.60% and the rate we determined a capitalization rate for merchant power producers that operate in more unregulated markets to be 13.10%. We believe that this midpoint fairly represents the relative risk that Colorado APPs have when they sell their power under purchase power agreements to the primary Colorado provider of power to the public.
- A few cell reference errors and Value Line download errors were corrected and additional rating information added to various company listings in the study.
- 4. We have decided to continue with <u>separate</u> capitalization rates for each telecommunication category as listed below:
 - CLECs, Long Distance Providers, Fiber Companies
 - Rural Telephone companies
 - Mobile Telephone companies
 - Telephone Resellers including VOIP Providers

The Division greatly appreciates all input, comments, and assistance given to it by industry with regards to corrections and suggestions for inclusion and exclusion of entries in our study as well as formal capitalization rate studies. We believe our study is that much more useful with industry involvement.

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| | | EXPECTED GROWTH | DCF MODEL | EQUITY | VALUE LINE | CAPN EX ANTE EQUITY | MODEL EX POST EQUITY | AVERAGE EQUITY | EQUITY RATE | PERCENT COMMON | DEBT | PERCENT TOTAL | PREF'D | PERCENT PREF'D | CAP |
|--|------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|------------------|--------|-------------------|----------|
| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | RATE | YIELD | RATE | BETA | RATE | RATE | RATE | USED | EQUITY | RATE * | DEBT | RATE | STOCK | RATE |
| AIRLINE INDUSTRY (AL) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PASSENGER AIRLINES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AirTran Hldgs. Inc. | AAI | 12.0% | 0.00% | 12.00% | 1.45 | 19.22% | 14.80% | 17.01% | 17.01% | 40.66% | 8.72% | 59.34% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.09% |
| AMR Corp. | AMR | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 2.55 | 30.38% | 22.61% | 26.49% | 26.49% | 24.92% | 8.72% | 75.08% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 13.15% |
| Cont'l Airlines | CAL | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 2.25 | 27.34% | 20.48% | 23.91% | 23.91% | 31.50% | 11.55% | 68.50% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 15.44% |
| ExpressJet Holdings Inc. | XJT | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.50 | 19.73% | 15.15% | 17.44% | 17.44% | 92.93% | 8.83% | 7.07% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.83% |
| Frontier Airls Inc New | FRNT | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.55 | 20.23% | 15.51% | 17.87% | 17.87% | 28.42% | 8.72% | 71.58% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.32% |
| JetBlue Airways | JBLU | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.69% | 29.47% | 8.72% | 70.53% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.89% |
| Mesa Air Group | MESA | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.20 | 16.68% | 13.02% | 14.85% | 14.85% | 12.49% | 8.54% | 87.51% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.32% |
| Midwest Air Group | MEH | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.70 | 21.76% | 16.57% | 19.16% | 19.16% | 94.92% | 8.72% | 5.08% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 18.63% |
| Republic Airways Holdings Inc | RJET | 9.50% | 0.00% | 9.50% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 32.68% | 8.72% | 67.32% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.60% |
| SkyWest | SKYW | 12.5% | 0.45% | 12.95% | 1.30 | 17.70% | 13.73% | 15.71% | 15.71% | 48.30% | 8.72% | 51.70% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.10% |
| Southwest Airlines | LUV | 18.00% | 0.15% | 18.15% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.69% | 85.30% | 5.94% | 14.70% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.70% |
| UAL Corp. (Beta industry average) | UAUA | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.47 | 19.42% | 14.94% | 17.18% | 17.18% | 32.91% | 8.72% | 67.09% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.50% |
| AVERAGES | | | Beta Industry | Average | 1.47 | | | | 17.20% | 46.21% | 8.72% | 53.79% | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | | | | AVERAGE I | ROUNDED | 17.20% | 46.21% | 8.72% | 53.79% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.64% |
| *Passenger Airlines: CapM Used Exclus | ively. | | | | | | MEDIAN | | 17.09% | 32.80% | 8.72% | 67.20% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.47% |
| | | ĺ | | Not Applied | d | | | | | | | | | | |
| CARGO CARRIERS | | ' | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ABX Air Inc | ABXA | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 51.37% | 8.10% | 48.63% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.24% |
| AirNet Systems Inc | ANS | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 100.00% | 11.98% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.40% |
| FedEx Corp. | FDX | 9.50% | 0.44% | 9.94% | 1.05 | 15.16% | 11.96% | 13.56% | 13.56% | 93.31% | 6.56% | 6.69% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 13.09% |
| Kitty Hawk Inc | KHKH | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.10 | 15.67% | 12.31% | 13.99% | 13.99% | 100.00% | 11.98% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 13.99% |
| United Parcel Serv. | UPS | 9.50% | 2.34% | 11.84% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 96.04% | 6.05% | 3.96% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.19% |
| AVERAGES | | | | | | | | | 12.52% | 88.15% | 8.93% | 11.85% | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | | | | AVERAGE I | ROUNDED | 12.52% | 88.15% | 8.93% | 11.85% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.10% |
| *Cargo Airlines: CapM Used Exclusively | <i>'</i> . | | | Not Applied | 1 | | MEDIAN | | 12.26% | 96.04% | 8.10% | 3.96% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.10% |
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| | | EXPECTED GROWTH | DIVIDEND | EQUITY | VALUE LINE | EX ANTE EQUITY | EX POST EQUITY | AVERAGE EQUITY | EQUITY RATE | PERCENT COMMON | DEBT | PERCENT TOTAL | PREF'D | PERCENT PREF'D | CAP |
| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | RATE | YIELD | RATE | BETA | RATE | RATE | RATE | USED | EQUITY | RATE * | DEBT | RATE | STOCK | RATE |
| ELECTRIC INDUSTRY (EL/ER) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ALLETE | ALE | 8.00% | 4.13% | 12.13% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.41% | 75.14% | 6.68% | 24.86% | n/a | 0.00% | 10.99% |
| Alliant Energy | LNT | 5.50% | 3.07% | 8.57% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 9.99% | 68.53% | 6.03% | 27.78% | 6.51% | 3.69% | 8.76% |
| Amer. Elec. Power | AEP | 6.50% | 3.52% | 10.02% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 11.36% | 57.26% | 6.56% | 42.55% | 6.51% | 0.19% | 9.31% |
| Ameren Corp. | AEE | 3.00% | 4.72% | 7.72% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 9.56% | 65.71% | 6.38% | 33.07% | 6.51% | 1.22% | 8.47% |
| Aquila Inc. | ILA | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.45 | 19.22% | 14.80% | 17.01% | 17.01% | 57.71% | 7.36% | 42.29% | n/a | 0.00% | 12.93% |
| Avista Corp. | AVA | 9.00% | 2.76% | 11.76% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.23% | 58.94% | 7.71% | 39.70% | 6.51% | 1.36% | 10.35% |
| Black Hills | BKH | 5.50% | 3.14% | 8.64% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.45% | 78.25% | 6.56% | 21.75% | n/a | 0.00% | 9.61% |
| Cen. Vermont Pub. Serv. | CV | 9.00% | 2.93% | 11.93% | 1.00 | 14.65% | 11.60% | 13.13% | 12.53% | 70.88% | 6.68% | 26.89% | 6.51% | 2.23% | 10.82% |
| CenterPoint Energy | CNP | 9.50% | 3.88% | 13.38% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 13.04% | 40.68% | 6.96% | 59.24% | 6.51% | 0.07% | 9.43% |
| CH Energy Group | CHG | 3.00% | 4.87% | 7.87% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.07% | 61.20% | 6.68% | 36.97% | 6.51% | 1.83% | 8.75% |
| Cleco Corp. | CNL | 6.50% | 3.24% | 9.74% | 1.15 | 16.17% | 12.67% | 14.42% | 12.08% | 71.72% | 6.56% | 28.24% | 6.51% | 0.04% | 10.52% |
| CMS Energy Corp. | CMS | 8.50% | 1.14% | 9.64% | 1.35 | 18.20% | 14.09% | 16.14% | 12.89% | 39.30% | 8.06% | 57.79% | 6.51% | 2.91% | 9.91% |
| Consol. Edison | ED | 4.00% | 4.80% | 8.80% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 9.88% | 61.09% | 6.08% | 37.93% | 6.51% | 0.98% | 8.41% |
| Constellation Energy | CEG | 15.50% | 1.71% | 17.21% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 14.52% | 78.59% | 6.56% | 20.61% | 6.51% | 0.80% | 12.82% |
| Dominion Resources | D | 9.50% | 3.33% | 12.83% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 11.90% | 67.85% | 6.31% | 31.51% | 6.51% | 0.64% | 10.10% |
| DPL Inc. | DPL | 10.50% | 3.48% | 13.98% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 12.91% | 69.42% | 6.65% | 30.11% | 6.51% | 0.47% | 10.99% |
| DTE Energy | DTE | 4.00% | 4.78% | 8.78% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 10.09% | 51.23% | 6.61% | 48.77% | n/a | 0.00% | 8.39% |
| Duke Energy | DUK | NMF | 4.35% | NFM | 0.89 | 13.53% | 10.82% | 12.18% | 12.18% | 57.72% | 6.08% | 42.28% | n/a | 0.00% | 9.60% |
| Edison Int'l | EIX | 6.50% | 2.28% | 8.78% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.31% | 61.81% | 6.56% | 34.98% | 6.51% | 3.21% | 8.87% |
| El Paso Electric | EE | 14.00% | 0.00% | 14.00% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 13.13% | 63.48% | 8.02% | 36.52% | n/a | 0.00% | 11.26% |
| Empire Dist. Elec. | EDE | 8.50% | 5.58% | 14.08% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 12.96% | 56.22% | 6.31% | 43.78% | n/a | 0.00% | 10.04% |
| Energy East Corp. | EAS | 0.50% | 4.55% | 5.05% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 53.51% | 6.56% | 46.18% | 6.51% | 0.31% | 9.15% |
| Entergy Corp. | ETR | 9.50% | 2.52% | 12.02% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.93% | 67.95% | 6.68% | 30.98% | 6.51% | 1.08% | 10.24% |
| Evergreen Energy Inc | EEE | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.35 | 18.20% | 14.09% | 16.14% | 16.14% | 65.15% | 6.68% | 34.85% | n/a | 0.00% | 12.84% |
| Exelon Corp. | EXC | 10.50% | 2.46% | 12.96% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.61% | 82.10% | 6.38% | 17.77% | 6.51% | 0.13% | 11.50% |
| FirstEnergy Corp. | FE | 9.00% | 3.02% | 12.02% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.93% | 72.21% | 6.56% | 27.79% | n/a | 0.00% | 10.43% |
| Florida Public Utilities | FPU | 3.50% | 3.72% | 7.22% | 0.65 | 11.10% | 9.12% | 10.11% | 8.66% | 59.58% | 6.68% | 40.42% | n/a | 0.00% | 7.86% |
| FPL Group | FPL | 11.00% | 2.40% | 13.40% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.11% | 12.18% | 72.04% | 5.94% | 27.96% | n/a | 0.00% | 10.44% |
| G't Plains Energy | GXP | 1.50% | 5.66% | 7.16% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 9.28% | 68.88% | 6.65% | 30.06% | 6.51% | 1.06% | 8.46% |
| Hawaiian Elec. | HE | 1.50% | 5.40% | 6.90% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 8.93% | 38.62% | 6.56% | 60.69% | 6.51% | 0.69% | 7.48% |
| DACORP Inc. | IDA | 2.00% | 3.43% | 5.43% | 0.75 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.69% | 60.13% | 5.96% | 39.87% | n/a | 0.00% | 10.01% |
| Integrys Energy | TEG | 1.00% | 5.11% | 6.11% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 63.70% | 6.68% | 35.48% | 6.51% | 0.83% | 9.68% |
| MDU Resources | MDU | 5.00% | 2.08% | 7.08% | 0.80 | 13.64% | 10.16% | 12.26% | 9.67% | 81.41% | 6.68% | 18.35% | 6.51% | 0.24% | 9.06% |
| MGE Energy | MGEE | 6.50% | 3.95% | 10.45% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.20% | 11.57% | 77.10% | 6.68% | 22.90% | n/a | 0.24% | 10.45% |
| 0, | NI | 2.50% | 3.95% 4.94% | 7.44% | 0.95 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.69% | 9.85% | 46.61% | 6.61% | 53.39% | n/a n/a | 0.00% | 8.12% |
| NiSource Inc. | IVI | Z.5U% | 4.94% | 1.44% | ı 0.90 | 13.04% | 10.69% | 12.20% | 9.00% | 40.01% | 0.01% | JJ.J9% | n/a | 0.00% | ō.1∠% |

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| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | GROWTH RATE | DIVIDEND YIELD | EQUITY RATE | LINE BETA | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY RATE | RATE USED | COMMON EQUITY | DEBT RATE * | TOTAL DEBT | PREF'D RATE | PREF'D STOCK | | CAP RATE |
| ELECTRIC INDUSTRY CON'T. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast Utilities | NU | 17.00% | 2.56% | 19.56% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 15.48% | 51.14% | 6.56% | 47.65% | 6.51% | 1.20% | | 11.12% |
| NSTAR | NST | 8.50% | 3.85% | 12.35% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 11.66% | 62.86% | 6.08% | 36.44% | 6.51% | 0.70% | | 9.59% |
| OGE Energy | OGE | 5.50% | 3.82% | 9.32% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.58% | 71.34% | 6.68% | 28.66% | 6.51% | 0.00% | | 9.46% |
| Otter Tail Corp. | OTTR | 5.00% | 3.24% | 8.24% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 10.47% | 77.98% | 6.68% | 20.86% | 6.51% | 1.16% | | 9.63% |
| Pepco Holdings | POM | 9.50% | 3.52% | 13.02% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.86% | 55.08% | 6.61% | 44.69% | 6.51% | 0.23% | | 10.05% |
| PG&E Corp. | PCG | 4.50% | 3.32% | 7.82% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 9.83% | 60.82% | 6.38% | 38.17% | 6.51% | 1.00% | | 8.48% |
| Pinnacle West Capital | PNW | 3.50% | 4.94% | 8.44% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 9.92% | 56.92% | 6.68% | 43.08% | n/a | 0.00% | | 8.52% |
| PNM Resources | PNM | 3.50% | 4.22% | 7.72% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 9.99% | 57.30% | 6.68% | 42.31% | 6.51% | 0.39% | | 8.57% |
| Portland General | POR | 11.77% | 3.47% | 15.24% | 0.89 | 13.53% | 10.82% | 12.18% | 13.71% | 57.99% | 6.56% | 42.01% | n/a | 0.00% | | 10.71% |
| PPL Corp. | PPL | 14.00% | 2.35% | 16.35% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 14.31% | 71.64% | 6.31% | 27.26% | 6.51% | 1.10% | | 12.04% |
| Progress Energy | PGN | 3.50% | 5.07% | 8.57% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.20% | 57.41% | 6.38% | 42.17% | 6.51% | 0.42% | | 8.57% |
| Public Serv. Enterprise | PEG | 11.50% | 2.40% | 13.90% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 13.30% | 71.11% | 6.38% | 28.67% | 6.51% | 0.23% | | 11.30% |
| Puget Energy Inc. | PSD | 6.00% | 3.63% | 9.63% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.95% | 54.63% | 6.96% | 45.34% | 6.51% | 0.03% | | 9.14% |
| SCANA Corp. | SCG | 3.50% | 4.14% | 7.64% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 9.74% | 60.92% | 6.56% | 37.69% | 6.51% | 1.39% | | 8.49% |
| Sempra Energy | SRE | 4.50% | 2.01% | 6.51% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 9.39% | 76.92% | 6.56% | 22.16% | 6.51% | 0.93% | | 8.73% |
| Sierra Pacific Res. | SRP | 11.00% | 1.86% | 12.86% | 1.20 | 16.68% | 13.02% | 14.85% | 13.86% | 46.76% | 8.70% | 53.24% | n/a | 0.00% | | 11.11% |
| Southern Co. | SO | 3.00% | 4.14% | 7.14% | 0.70 | 11.61% | 9.47% | 10.54% | 8.84% | 65.95% | 8.02% | 32.35% | 6.51% | 1.70% | | 8.53% |
| TECO Energy | TE | 4.50% | 4.48% | 8.98% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 10.84% | 51.42% | 8.02% | 48.58% | n/a | 0.00% | | 9.47% |
| UIL Holdings | UIL | 5.50% | 4.66% | 10.16% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 11.43% | 64.96% | 6.68% | 35.04% | n/a | 0.00% | | 9.76% |
| UniSource Energy | UNS | 4.00% | 2.87% | 6.87% | 0.60 | 10.59% | 8.76% | 9.68% | 8.27% | 42.11% | 6.68% | 57.89% | n/a | 0.00% | | 7.35% |
| UNITIL Corp. | UTL | NMF | 4.84% | NFM | 0.45 | 9.07% | 7.70% | 8.38% | 8.38% | 49.89% | 6.68% | 49.49% | 6.51% | 0.62% | | 7.53% |
| Vectren Corp. | VVC | 4.50% | 4.42% | 8.92% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.59% | 65.16% | 6.68% | 34.84% | n/a | 0.00% | | 9.23% |
| Westar Energy | WR | 4.50% | 4.09% | 8.59% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.21% | 56.49% | 6.19% | 43.01% | 6.51% | 0.50% | | 8.46% |
| Wisconsin Energy | WEC | 8.00% | 2.04% | 10.04% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.94% | 61.73% | 8.02% | 37.94% | 6.51% | 0.33% | | 9.81% |
| Kcel Energy Inc. | XEL | 5.50% | 4.06% | 9.56% | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 10.48% | 56.46% | 6.68% | 42.92% | 6.51% | 0.62% | | 8.82% |
| AVERAGES | | 0.0070 | Beta Industry | | 0.89 | 12.02 /0 | 10.1070 | 114070 | 11.43% | 62.11% | 6.72% | 37.28% | 6.51% | 0.61% | | 0.0270 |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | Dota madairy | , ivolage | 0.00 | | AVERAGE | | 11.43% | 62.11% | 6.72% | 37.28% | 6.51% | 0.61% | - | 9.64% |
| SAI NATE CALCULATION | | | | Not Applie | d | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 11.38% | 62.50% | 6.63% | 37.20% | 6.51% | 0.50% | - | 9.60% |
| * Electrics: if DCF Equity rate, NMF or | | | | • • • | | | III. E DIAN NO | .0.1.0.2.0 | 11.5070 | 02.0070 | 0.0070 | 01.0070 | 0.0170 | 3.50% | _ | 0.5070 |

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| | | EXPECTED | | | VALUE | EX ANTE | EX POST | AVERAGE | EQUITY | PERCENT | | PERCENT | | PERCENT | |
| | | GROWTH | DIVIDEND | EQUITY | LINE | EQUITY | EQUITY | EQUITY | RATE | COMMON | DEBT | TOTAL | PREF'D | PREF'D | CAP |
| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | RATE | YIELD | RATE | BETA | RATE | RATE | RATE | USED | EQUITY | RATE * | DEBT | RATE | STOCK | RATE |
| DISTRIBUTION PIPELINES (PD) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Atmos Energy | ATO | 5.00% | 4.61% | 9.61% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.72% | 54.07% | 6.61% | 45.93% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.83% |
| Chesapeake Utilities Corp. | CPK | 5.00% | 4.20% | 9.20% | 0.65 | 11.10% | 9.12% | 10.11% | 9.65% | 75.43% | 6.58% | 24.57% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.90% |
| Energen Corp. | EGN | 5.50% | 0.71% | 6.21% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 89.09% | 6.61% | 10.91% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.65% |
| Energy West Inc. | EWST | NMF | 4.44% | NFM | 0.30 | 7.55% | 6.63% | 7.09% | 7.09% | 76.93% | 6.58% | 23.07% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 6.97% |
| EnergySouth Inc | ENSI | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 79.36% | 6.58% | 20.64% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.40% |
| Equitable Resources | EQT | 11.50% | 1.66% | 13.16% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 12.50% | 89.66% | 6.31% | 10.34% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.86% |
| Kinder Morgan Energy | KMP | 5.00% | 6.47% | 11.47% | 0.65 | 11.10% | 9.12% | 10.11% | 10.79% | 66.92% | 6.61% | 33.08% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.40% |
| Laclede Group | LG | 4.00% | 4.34% | 8.34% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 10.52% | 67.53% | 5.96% | 32.42% | 0.00% | 0.05% | 9.03% |
| New Jersey Resources | NJR | 4.00% | 3.20% | 7.20% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 9.52% | 80.72% | 6.58% | 19.28% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.95% |
| Nicor Inc. | GAS | 3.00% | 4.24% | 7.24% | 1.00 | 14.65% | 11.60% | 13.13% | 10.18% | 82.13% | 6.58% | 17.84% | 0.00% | 0.03% | 9.54% |
| Northwest Nat. Gas | NWN | 8.00% | 3.02% | 11.02% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 11.64% | 72.10% | 5.48% | 27.90% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.92% |
| ONEOK Inc. | OKE | 5.50% | 3.19% | 8.69% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.48% | 52.72% | 6.61% | 47.28% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.65% |
| Piedmont Natural Gas | PNY | 3.50% | 3.71% | 7.21% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 9.52% | 70.50% | 5.96% | 29.50% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.47% |
| Plains All Amer. Pipe. | PAA | 5.00% | 6.45% | 11.45% | 0.70 | 11.61% | 9.47% | 10.54% | 10.99% | 69.68% | 6.61% | 30.32% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.66% |
| RGC Resources Inc | RGCO | NMF | 4.15% | NFM | 0.25 | 7.04% | 6.28% | 6.66% | 6.66% | 74.50% | 6.58% | 25.50% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 6.64% |
| South Jersey Inds. | SJI | 7.00% | 2.94% | 9.94% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 10.89% | 75.05% | 5.96% | 24.95% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.66% |
| Southern Union | SUG | 7.50% | 2.03% | 9.53% | 1.00 | 14.65% | 11.60% | 13.13% | 11.33% | 55.86% | 6.56% | 40.52% | 0.00% | 3.62% | 8.99% |
| Southwest Gas | SWX | 8.00% | 2.90% | 10.90% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 11.58% | 48.81% | 6.56% | 51.19% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.01% |
| WGL Holdings Inc. | WGL | 2.00% | 4.10% | 6.10% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.83% | 71.23% | 6.58% | 27.54% | 0.00% | 1.23% | 10.24% |
| AVERAGES | | 2.0070 | | 0.1070 | 0.00 | 10.1070 | 10.0170 | 11.0070 | 10.50% | 71.17% | 6.41% | 28.57% | 0.00% | 0.26% | 10.2170 |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | Not Applied | 1 | | AVERAGE | | 10.50% | 71.43% | 6.41% | 28.57% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 9.33% |
| OAI KATE GALGGEATION | | | | 1, 101, 100 lioc | • | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 10.79% | 72.00% | 6.58% | 28.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 9.61% |
| * Distribution Pipelines: if DCF Equity | rate, Nini- Oi | below 0.5, t | ien carin u | seu exclusi | very for LC | jully Nate. | | | | | | | | | |
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| FLUID PIPELINES (PF) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | BPL | 7.00% | 6.55% | 13.55% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 12.26% | 71.31% | 6.56% | 28.69% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.62% |
| Buckeye Partners | BPL BP | 7.00% 6.00% | 6.55% 3.51% | 13.55% 9.51% | 0.75 0.90 | 12.11% 13.64% | 9.83% 10.89% | 10.97% 12.26% | 12.26% 10.89% | 71.31% 93.71% | 6.56% 6.64% | 28.69% 6.29% | 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 10.62% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. | BP | 6.00% | 3.51% | 9.51% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.89% | 93.71% | 6.64% | 6.29% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.62% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips | BP CVX | 6.00% 5.00% | 3.51% 2.47% | 9.51% 7.47% | 0.90 0.90 | 13.64% 13.64% | 10.89% 10.89% | 12.26% 12.26% | 10.89% 9.87% | 93.71% 97.49% | 6.64% 6.64% | 6.29% 2.51% | 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP | BP CVX COP | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% |
| FLUID PIPELINES (PF) Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP Magellan Midstream Occidental Petroleum | BP CVX COP EEP | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% 7.50% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% 7.60% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% 15.10% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 0.60 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% 10.59% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% 8.76% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% 9.68% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% 12.39% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% 60.10% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% 6.61% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% 39.90% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% 10.08% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP Magellan Midstream Occidental Petroleum | BP CVX COP EEP MMP | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% 7.50% 7.50% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% 7.60% 5.90% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% 15.10% 13.40% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 0.60 0.60 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% 10.59% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% 8.76% 8.76% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% 9.68% 9.68% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% 12.39% 11.54% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% 60.10% 76.56% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% 6.61% 5.96% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% 39.90% 23.44% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% 10.08% 10.23% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP Magellan Midstream Occidental Petroleum Plains All American PL | BP CVX COP EEP MMP OXY | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% 7.50% 7.50% 3.50% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% 7.60% 5.90% 1.28% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% 15.10% 13.40% 4.78% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 0.60 0.60 1.05 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% 10.59% 10.59% 15.16% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% 8.76% 8.76% 11.96% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% 9.68% 9.68% 13.56% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% 12.39% 11.54% 13.56% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% 60.10% 76.56% 97.37% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% 6.61% 5.96% 6.61% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% 39.90% 23.44% 2.63% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% 10.08% 10.23% 13.37% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP Magellan Midstream | BP CVX COP EEP MMP OXY PAA | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% 7.50% 7.50% 3.50% 5.00% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% 7.60% 5.90% 1.28% 6.45% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% 15.10% 13.40% 4.78% 11.45% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 0.60 0.60 1.05 0.70 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% 10.59% 10.59% 15.16% 11.61% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% 8.76% 8.76% 11.96% 9.47% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% 9.68% 9.68% 13.56% 10.54% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% 12.39% 11.54% 13.56% 10.99% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% 60.10% 76.56% 97.37% 69.68% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% 6.61% 5.96% 6.61% 6.96% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% 39.90% 23.44% 2.63% 30.32% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% 10.08% 10.23% 13.37% 9.77% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP Magellan Midstream Occidental Petroleum Plains All American PL TEPPCO Partners L.P. | BP CVX COP EEP MMP OXY PAA | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% 7.50% 7.50% 3.50% 5.00% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% 7.60% 5.90% 1.28% 6.45% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% 15.10% 13.40% 4.78% 11.45% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 0.60 0.60 1.05 0.70 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% 10.59% 10.59% 15.16% 11.61% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% 8.76% 8.76% 11.96% 9.47% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% 9.68% 9.68% 13.56% 10.54% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% 12.39% 11.54% 13.56% 10.99% 12.64% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% 60.10% 76.56% 97.37% 69.68% 66.27% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% 6.61% 5.96% 6.61% 6.96% 6.96% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% 39.90% 23.44% 2.63% 30.32% 33.73% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% 10.08% 10.23% 13.37% 9.77% |
| Buckeye Partners BP p.l.c. Chevron Corp. ConocoPhillips Enbridge Energy Partners LLP Magellan Midstream Occidental Petroleum Plains All American PL TEPPCO Partners L.P. AVERAGES | BP CVX COP EEP MMP OXY PAA | 6.00% 5.00% 2.50% 7.50% 7.50% 3.50% 5.00% | 3.51% 2.47% 1.85% 7.60% 5.90% 1.28% 6.45% | 9.51% 7.47% 4.35% 15.10% 13.40% 4.78% 11.45% | 0.90 0.90 0.90 0.60 0.60 1.05 0.70 0.65 | 13.64% 13.64% 13.64% 10.59% 10.59% 15.16% 11.61% | 10.89% 10.89% 10.89% 8.76% 8.76% 11.96% 9.47% 9.12% | 12.26% 12.26% 12.26% 9.68% 9.68% 13.56% 10.54% 10.11% | 10.89% 9.87% 12.26% 12.39% 11.54% 13.56% 10.99% 12.64% | 93.71% 97.49% 86.91% 60.10% 76.56% 97.37% 69.68% 66.27% | 6.64% 6.64% 6.42% 6.61% 5.96% 6.61% 6.96% 6.96% | 6.29% 2.51% 13.09% 39.90% 23.44% 2.63% 30.32% 33.73% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% | 10.62% 9.79% 11.50% 10.08% 10.23% 13.37% 9.77% 10.72% |

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| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | GROWTH RATE | DIVIDEND YIELD | EQUITY RATE | LINE | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY | EQUITY RATE | RATE | COMMON | DEBT RATE * | TOTAL | PREF'D RATE | PREF'D STOCK | CAP RATE |
| TRANSMISSION PIPELINES (PT) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boardwalk Pipeline (Beta: Ind Average) | BWP | NMF | 5.76% | 5.76% | 0.94 | 14.04% | 11.17% | 12.61% | 12.61% | 66.20% | 7.19% | 33.80% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.77% |
| El Paso Corp. | EP | 28.00% | 0.92% | 28.92% | 1.80 | 22.77% | 17.28% | 20.03% | 24.47% | 49.31% | 8.37% | 50.69% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.31% |
| Enterprise Product Partners | EPD | 11.00% | 6.21% | 17.21% | 0.55 | 10.08% | 8.41% | 9.24% | 13.23% | 67.00% | 6.96% | 33.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.16% |
| Kinder Morgan Energy Partners | KMP | 5.00% | 6.47% | 11.47% | 0.65 | 11.10% | 9.12% | 10.11% | 10.79% | 66.92% | 6.61% | 33.08% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.40% |
| ONEOK Partners LP | OKS | 6.00% | 6.57% | 12.57% | 0.65 | 11.10% | 9.12% | 10.11% | 11.34% | 66.34% | 6.61% | 33.66% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.74% |
| Questar Corp. | STR | 8.00% | 0.90% | 8.90% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 10.58% | 90.57% | 7.19% | 9.43% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.26% |
| Spectra Energy (Beta: Ind Average) | SE | NMF | 3.42% | 3.42% | 0.94 | 14.04% | 11.17% | 12.61% | 12.61% | 65.64% | 7.19% | 34.36% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.74% |
| TransCanada Corp. | TRP | 13.00% | 3.36% | 16.36% | 0.70 | 11.61% | 9.47% | 10.54% | 13.45% | 61.13% | 6.19% | 37.60% | 7.71% | 1.27% | 10.65% |
| Williams Cos. | WMB | 24.00% | 1.12% | 25.12% | 1.35 | 18.20% | 14.09% | 16.14% | 20.63% | 74.36% | 7.71% | 25.64% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 17.32% |
| <u> </u> | | | Beta Industry | Average | 0.94 | | | | 14.41% | 67.50% | 7.11% | 32.36% | 0.86% | 0.14% | |
| * Transmission Pipelines: if DCF Equity | rate, NMF | or below 6.5; | then CAPM | used exclu | sively for | Equity Rate | AVERAGE | | 14.41% | 67.64% | 7.11% | 32.36% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.05% |
| | | | | | | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 12.61% | 66.34% | 7.19% | 33.66% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 10.78% |
| RAILROAD INDUSTRY (RR) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Burlington Northern | BNI | 13.00% | 1.54% | 14.54% | 1.05 | 15.16% | 11.96% | 13.56% | 13.65% | 78.87% | 6.61% | 21.13% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.17% |
| CSX Corp. | CSX | 18.00% | 1.36% | 19.36% | 1.15 | 16.17% | 12.67% | 14.42% | 14.91% | 73.57% | 6.61% | 26.43% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.72% |
| Norfolk Southern | NSC | 13.00% | 2.05% | 15.05% | 1.10 | 15.67% | 12.31% | 13.99% | 14.09% | 77.41% | 6.56% | 22.59% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.39% |
| Union Pacific | UNP | 17.00% | 1.38% | 18.38% | 1.00 | 14.65% | 11.60% | 13.13% | 13.65% | 81.32% | 6.61% | 18.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.33% |
| AVERAGES | | <u> </u> | | | | | | | 14.08% | 77.79% | 6.59% | 22.21% | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | | | | AVERAGE | | 14.08% | 77.79% | 6.59% | 22.21% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.42% |
| | | | | Not Applied | 1 | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 13.87% | 78.14% | 6.61% | 21.86% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.29% |
| Railroads: Equity Weighting 10 % DCF a | nd 90 % C | APM | | • | | | | | , | • | , | | • | • | • |

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| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | GROWTH RATE | DIVIDEND YIELD | EQUITY RATE | LINE BETA | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY RATE | RATE USED | COMMON EQUITY | DEBT RATE * | TOTAL DEBT | PREF'D RATE | PREF'D STOCK | CAP RATE |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES | : (TL) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alaska Communic. | ALSK | NMF | 5.71% | NFM | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.83% | 59.88% | 7.68% | 40.12% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.16% |
| AT&T Inc. | Т | 14.50% | 3.81% | 18.31% | 1.00 | 14.65% | 11.60% | 13.13% | 13.13% | 82.52% | 6.08% | 17.48% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.89% |
| BCE Inc. | BCE | 5.50% | 3.63% | 9.13% | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 10.97% | 69.83% | 7.68% | 23.92% | 6.51% | 6.25% | 9.90% |
| Cbeyond Inc | CBEY | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.30 | 17.70% | 13.73% | 15.71% | 15.71% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 15.71% |
| CenturyTel Inc. | CTL | 1.00% | 0.63% | 1.63% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.83% | 62.58% | 6.61% | 37.32% | 0.00% | 0.10% | 9.87% |
| Citizens Communic. | CZN | 7.50% | 7.75% | 15.25% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 47.25% | 8.13% | 52.75% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.08% |
| Embarq Corp. (Beta: Ind Ave) | EQ | NMF | 5.11% | NFM | 1.09 | 15.56% | 12.24% | 13.90% | 13.90% | 56.52% | 7.68% | 43.48% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.19% |
| FiberNet Telecom Group Inc | FTGX | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.05 | 15.16% | 11.96% | 13.56% | 13.56% | 68.74% | 7.68% | 15.57% | 6.51% | 15.69% | 11.54% |
| Gen'l Communication 'A' | GNCMA | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.05 | 15.16% | 11.96% | 13.56% | 13.56% | 46.54% | 7.68% | 53.46% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.41% |
| Global Crossing | GLBC | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.40 | 18.71% | 14.44% | 16.58% | 16.58% | 43.95% | 7.68% | 49.62% | 6.51% | 6.43% | 11.51% |
| Hickory Tech Corp | HTCO | NMF | 9.98% | NFM | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 48.71% | 7.68% | 51.29% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.91% |
| Level 3 Communic. | LVLT | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.15 | 16.17% | 12.67% | 14.42% | 14.42% | 30.61% | 11.55% | 69.39% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.42% |
| Qwest Communic. | Q | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.30 | 17.70% | 13.73% | 15.71% | 15.71% | 50.23% | 8.70% | 49.77% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.22% |
| Shenandoah Telecommunications | SHEN | 4.00% | 1.70% | 5.70% | 1.10 | 15.67% | 12.31% | 13.99% | 13.99% | 96.96% | 7.68% | 3.04% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 13.80% |
| SureWest Communications | SURW | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.60 | 20.74% | 15.86% | 18.30% | 18.30% | 67.20% | 7.68% | 32.80% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 14.82% |
| Time Warner Telecom Inc | TWTC | 14.00% | 3.88% | 17.88% | 1.30 | 17.70% | 13.73% | 15.71% | 15.71% | 68.72% | 6.61% | 31.28% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.86% |
| Verizon Communic. | VZ | 4.00% | 6.56% | 10.56% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.69% | 81.44% | 6.08% | 18.56% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.47% |
| AVERAGES | | | Beta Industry | Average | 1.09 | | | | 13.91% | 63.63% | 7.68% | 34.70% | 1.15% | 1.67% | |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | • | | | | AVERAGE | | 13.91% | 65.30% | 7.68% | 34.70% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.74% |
| | | | | Not Applied | d | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 13.56% | 62.68% | 7.68% | 37.32% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.36% |
| Telecoms: CapM Used Exclusively. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

^{* -} Please see attached pages for debt ratings.

| | | | | | | CAPN | I MODEL | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | EXPECTED | OCF MODEL | | | EX ANTE | EX POST | AVERAGE | EQUITY | PERCENT | | PERCENT | | PERCENT | |
| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | GROWTH RATE | DIVIDEND YIELD | EQUITY RATE | LINE BETA | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY RATE | EQUITY RATE | RATE USED | COMMON EQUITY | DEBT RATE * | TOTAL DEBT | PREF'D RATE | PREF'D STOCK | CAP RATE |
| RURAL TELEPHONES (TR) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| RORAL TELEPHONES (TR) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CenturyTel Inc. | CTL | 1.00% | 0.63% | 1.63% | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.83% | 62.58% | 6.61% | 37.32% | 0.00% | 0.10% | 9.87% |
| Cincinnati Bell | CBB | 1.00% | 0.00% | 1.00% | 1.40 | 18.71% | 14.44% | 16.58% | 16.58% | 34.88% | 9.38% | 60.39% | 6.51% | 4.74% | 11.75% |
| | DECC | NMF | 5.60% | NFM | 0.75 | 12.11% | 9.83% | 10.97% | 10.97% | 39.20% | 7.68% | 60.80% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.97% |
| FairPoint Communic. | FRP | 0.00% | 0.00% | NFM | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 43.73% | 7.68% | 56.27% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.68% |
| lowa Telecom. Svcs. | IWA | NMF NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.83% | 50.97% | 7.68% | 49.03% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.79% |
| | NULM NTLS | NMF | 3.40% 3.40% | NFM NFM | 0.50 0.80 | 9.58% 12.62% | 8.05% 10.18% | 8.81% 11.40% | 8.81% 11.40% | 99.84% 65.02% | 7.68% 7.68% | 0.16% 34.98% | 0.00% 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% | 8.81% 10.10% |
| Otelco Inc | OTT | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.16% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 52.09% | 7.68% | 47.91% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.84% |
| | WWVY | NMF | 7.78% | NFM | 0.65 | 10.08% | 8.41% | 9.24% | 9.24% | 90.76% | 7.68% | 8.54% | 0.00% | 0.70% | 9.04% |
| Windstream Corp. (Beta: Ind Average) | WIN | 1.50% | 0.00% | 1.50% | 0.83 | 12.92% | 10.39% | 11.66% | 11.66% | 52.07% | 7.61% | 47.93% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.72% |
| AVERAGES | VVIIV | 1.5070 | Beta Industry | | 0.83 | 12.32/0 | 10.5570 | 11.0070 | 11.64% | 59.11% | 7.73% | 40.33% | 0.65% | 0.55% | 3.1270 |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | Dota madon) | rrivorago | 0.00 | | AVERAGE | | 11.64% | 59.66% | 7.73% | 40.33% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 10.06% |
| OAI NATE GAEGGEATION | | | | Not Applied | 1 | | ROUNDED | • | 11.75% | 60.00% | 7.68% | 40.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 10.12% |
| Rural Telecoms: CapM Used Exclusively. | | | | 11017100 | • | | | L | 1111070 | 00.0070 | 7.0070 | 10.0070 | 0.0070 | 0.0070 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MOBILE TELEPHONE COMPANIES: (TM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AT&T Inc. | т | 14.50% | 3.81% | 18.31% | 1.00 | 14.65% | 11.60% | 13.13% | 13.13% | 82.52% | 6.08% | 17.48% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.89% |
| Metro PCS Communic. | PCS | 28.50% | 0.00% | 28.50% | 0.99 | 14.55% | 11.53% | 13.04% | 13.04% | 69.34% | 7.68% | 30.66% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.39% |
| Sprint Nextel Corp. | S | 19.00% | 0.75% | 19.75% | 1.10 | 15.67% | 12.31% | 13.99% | 13.99% | 63.23% | 6.61% | 36.77% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.27% |
| U.S. Cellular | USM | 23.50% | 0.00% | 23.50% | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 83.13% | 8.76% | 16.87% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.67% |
| Verizon Communic. | VZ | 4.00% | 6.56% | 10.56% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.69% | 81.44% | 6.08% | 18.56% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.47% |
| AVERAGES | | | Beta Industry | / Average | 0.99 | | | | 13.02% | 75.93% | 7.04% | 24.07% | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | 1 | | | AVERAGE | | 13.02% | 75.93% | 7.04% | 24.07% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.58% |
| Mobile Telecoms: CapM Used Exclusively | ·. | | | Not Applied | 1 | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 13.04% | 81.44% | 6.61% | 18.56% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.84% |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| RESELLERS AND VOIP (TX) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Covista Communications Inc | CVST | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.40 | 8.56% | 7.34% | 7.95% | 7.95% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 7.95% |
| Globetel Communications Corp | GTEM | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.85 | 13.13% | 10.54% | 11.83% | 11.83% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.83% |
| GoAmerica Inc | GOAM | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.35 | 18.20% | 14.09% | 16.14% | 16.14% | 99.27% | 7.68% | 0.73% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.08% |
| GTC Telecom Corp | GTCC | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.10 | 15.67% | 12.31% | 13.99% | 13.99% | 83.40% | 7.68% | 16.60% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.94% |
| IDT Corp. | IDT | NMF | 10.20% | NFM | 0.90 | 13.64% | 10.89% | 12.26% | 12.26% | 86.23% | 7.68% | 13.77% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.63% |
| PAETEC Holding Corp. | PAET | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.15 | 16.17% | 12.67% | 14.42% | 14.42% | 55.77% | 11.98% | 44.23% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 13.34% |
| Primus Telecom Group | PRTL | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.05 | 15.16% | 11.96% | 13.56% | 13.56% | 7.78% | 7.68% | 92.22% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.13% |
| Rapid Link Inc | RPID | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.50 | 9.58% | 8.05% | 8.81% | 8.81% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.81% |
| | TRINQ | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.80 | 12.62% | 10.18% | 11.40% | 11.40% | 62.80% | 7.68% | 37.20% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 10.01% |
| | ULCM | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 12.69% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 12.69% |
| VoIP Inc (Beta Ind ave) | VOIC | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.86 | 13.23% | 10.61% | 11.92% | 11.92% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.92% |
| Vonage Holdings (Beta Ind ave) | VG | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.86 | 13.23% | 10.61% | 11.92% | 11.92% | 53.06% | 7.68% | 46.94% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 9.93% |
| _ | WQNI | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 0.45 | 9.07% | 7.70% | 8.38% | 8.38% | 100.00% | 7.68% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 8.38% |
| AVERAGES | | | Beta Industry | / Average | 0.86 | | AV/EDA05 | | 11.94% | 80.64% | 8.01% | 19.36% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 44.4007 |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | | | | AVERAGE | IIIIDED | 11.94% | 80.64% | 8.01% | 19.36% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.18% |
| Resellers: CapM Used Exclusively. | | | | Not Applied | 1 | | MEDIAN RO | UNDED | 11.92% | 99.27% | 7.68% | 0.73% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 11.89% |

| | | | DCF MODEL | | I | CAPN | MODEL | | I | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|------------------|--------|-------------------|----------|
| | | EXPECTED GROWTH | DIVIDEND | EQUITY | VALUE LINE | EX ANTE EQUITY | EX POST EQUITY | AVERAGE EQUITY | RATE | PERCENT COMMON | DEBT | PERCENT TOTAL | PREF'D | PERCENT PREF'D | CAP |
| COMPANY & INDUSTRY | TICKER | RATE | YIELD | RATE | BETA | RATE | RATE | RATE | USED | EQUITY | RATE * | DEBT | RATE | STOCK | RATE |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AFFILIATED POWER PRODUCERS (EN | <u>l)</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AES Corporation | AES | 14.00% | 0.00% | 14.00% | 1.30 | 17.70% | 13.73% | 15.71% | 14.86% | 48.24% | 9.44% | 51.76% | n/a | 0.00% | 12.05% |
| Dynergy | DYN | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.15 | 16.17% | 12.67% | 14.42% | 14.42% | 38.21% | 9.44% | 61.79% | n/a | 0.00% | 11.34% |
| Reliant Energy | RRI | NMF | 0.00% | NFM | 1.20 | 16.68% | 13.02% | 14.85% | 14.85% | 75.12% | 9.44% | 24.88% | n/a | 0.00% | 13.50% |
| NRG Energy | NRG | 23.50% | 0.00% | 23.50% | 0.95 | 14.14% | 11.25% | 12.69% | 18.10% | 47.73% | 10.04% | 39.90% | 6.51% | 12.36% | 13.45% |
| AVERAGES | | | Beta Industry | / Average | 1.15 | | | | 15.56% | 52.32% | 9.59% | 44.59% | 6.51% | 3.09% | |
| CAP RATE CALCULATION | | | | - | | | AVERAGE | | 15.56% | 55.41% | 9.59% | 44.59% | 0.00% | 0.00% | = 12.89% |
| | | | | | | | APP RATE | | (12.89 + 9.6) | 0 %)/2 | | | | | 11.25% |
| Affiliated Power Producers: 50 percent | t weighting | on electrics a | and 50 percer | nt weightin | g on Affili | ated Power. | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | | | - | - | - | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

^{* -} Please see attached pages for debt ratings.

RISK PREMIUM CALCULATION

EX ANTE MARKET RISK (Rm) (1) 14.65% SAFE RATE (Rf) (2) 4.50%

EX ANTE RISK PREMIUM (Rp) (3) 10.15% EX POST RISK PREMIUM (4) 7.10%

EX ANTE CAPM FORMULA 4.5% + (beta x 10.15%) EX POST CAPM FORMULA 4.5% + (beta x 7.10%)

- (1) See page 5 of the narrative summary.
- (2) 20-year constant maturity at Year-End, December 31, 2007 Federal Reserve statistical release.
- (3) Difference between (1) (2)
- (4) Long-horizon expected equity risk premia, Risk Premia over Time Report: 2007 Yearbook, Ibbotson Associates

STANDARD AND POOR'S TREASURY AND

CORPORATE BOND YIELD INDEX-BY RATING: AAA-B

S&P Bond Ratings: Provided by Dr. Hal Heaton, Ph.D, Prof of Finance Marriot School of Management, Brigham University, Ref: Bloomberg

AAA - CCC; Statistical study CC and C/D

YIELD AVERAGE - DEC. 2007

Moody's Public Utility Preferred Stock Yield Averages (Mergent Bond Guide, January 2007 - page 749)

Moody's Bond Ratings

YIELD AVERAGE - DEC. 2007

Moody's Corporate Bond Yield Averages (Mergent Bond Guide, January 2007 - page 210) Moody's Bond Ratings (Statistical Survey: Ba thru C) CORPORATE BY RATINGS - DEC. 2007 PUBLIC UTILITY BONDS - DEC. 2007 INDUSTRIAL BONDS - DEC. 2007

EQUALIZATION FACTOR

2008 ASSESSMENT YEAR

97.00%

OTHER INDUSTRIE(S)

WATER COMPANIES SELLING AT RETAIL (WA)

11.20% 11.25%

AFFILIATED POWER PRODUCERS (EN)

| | | | | | | | Speculat | ive Risk * | |
|-----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|---------|---------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| Extremely | Very | Strong | Adequate | More | More | More | More | High | Default |
| Strong | Strong | Capacity | Capacity | Risk * | Risk ** | Risk | Risk | Risk | Recovery Unlikely |
| AAA | AA | Α | BBB | BB+ | BB | В | CCC | CC | C/D |
| 5.450% | 5.480% | 5.960% | 6.560% | 8.760% | 9.380% | 10.040% | 11.110% | 13.710% | 16.310% |

^{*} BB+ = average of BBB and BB ** A+/-= A, BBB+/-= applied BBB rating, BB-/BB=applied BB-

| High | Upper-Med. | Medium |
|-------|------------|--------|
| Grade | Grade | Grade |
| Aa | Α | Baa |
| | 6.20% | 6.51% |

| Best Quality | High Quality | Upper-Med. Grade | Medium Grade | | , | Speculative F | Risk * | |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|---------------|--------|--------|
| Aaa | Aa | Α | Baa | Ва | В | Caa | Ca | C/D |
| 5.49% | 5.91% | 6.19% | 6.65% | 7.36% | 8.83% | 11.98% | 20.76% | 20.76% |
| | 6.03% | 6.16% | 6.51% | | | | | |
| 5.49% | 5.78% | 6.22% | 6.78% | | | | | |

For Speculative Bond Risk ratings, S&P's year-end 2007 Bond Guide and Mergent's January 2008 Bond Guide were used to complies a significant number of BB/Ba, B, CCC/Ca, and C rated bonds. These bond ratings were stratified and the median yield to maturity was used to establish the Debt Rate for companies having more speculative ratings.

Not Applied

| BOND F | RATING AND RATE | ANALYSIS FO | R TAX YEAR 2008 | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | MERGENT'S BOND | 2007 YEAR END | STANDARD & POORS (S & P) | 2007 YEAR END | BOND RATE |
| AIRLINE INDUSTRY (AL) | | | | | |
| AIRLINE INDOSTRT (AL) | | | | | |
| PASSENGER AIRLINES | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S & P</u> | AVERAGE |
| | | | | | |
| AirTran Hldgs. Inc. | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| ExpressJet Holdings Inc. | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| AMR Corp. | Caa | 11.98% | CCC | 11.11% | 11.55% |
| Cont'l Airlines | В | 8.83% | NR * | n/a | 8.83% |
| Frontier Airls Inc New | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| JetBlue Airways | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| Mesa Air Group | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.54% |
| Midwest Air Group | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| Republic Airways Holdings Inc | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| SkyWest | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| Southwest Airlines | Aa | 5.91% | A | 5.96% | 5.94% |
| UAL Corp. (Beta industry average) | NR * | 8.91% | NR * | 8.54% | 8.72% |
| | Average = | 8.91% | Average = | 8.54% | |
| CARGO CARRIERS | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S&P</u> | AVERAGE |
| | | | | | |
| ABX Air Inc | NR * | 10.20% | NR * | 6.01% | 8.10% |
| AirNet Systems Inc | Caa | 11.98% | NR * | n/a | 11.98% |
| FedEx Corp. | NR * | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| Kitty Hawk Inc | Caa | 11.98% | NR * | n/a | 11.98% |
| United Parcel Serv. | Baa | 6.65% | AAA | 5.45% | 6.05% |
| | | | | | <u> </u> |
| | Average = | 10.20% | Average = | 6.01% | 8.10% |
| | | | | | 1 |

^{*} NR* (not rated) Industry Average Applied unless otherwise indicated. + or - ratings if not graded rounded up or down accordingly.

2007 Year End Rate indicated with n/a shows 2007 bond rate applied with the rating that is available.

| BOND RATING AND RATE ANALYSIS FOR TAX YEAR 2008 | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------|--|
| | MERGENT'S BOND | 2007 YEAR END | STANDARD & POORS (S & P) | 2007 YEAR END | BOND RATE | |
| ELECTRIC INDUSTRY (EL/ER) | | MERGENT'S | | S & P | AVERAGE | |
| | | | | | | |
| ALLETE | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| Alliant Energy | Aaa | 5.49% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.03% | |
| Amer. Elec. Power | N/R* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| Ameren Corp. | А | 6.19% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.38% | |
| Aquila Inc. | Ba | 7.36% | NR* | n/a | 7.36% | |
| Avista Corp. | Baa | 6.65% | BB+ | 8.76% | 7.71% | |
| Black Hills | NR* | 6.56% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| Cen. Vermont Pub. Serv. | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| CenterPoint Energy | Ba | 7.36% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.96% | |
| CH Energy Group | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| Cleco Corp. | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| CMS Energy Corp. | Ba | 7.36% | BB+ | 8.76% | 8.06% | |
| Consol. Edison | A | 6.19% | A | 5.96% | 6.08% | |
| Constellation Energy | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| Dominion Resources | Baa | 6.65% | A | 5.96% | 6.31% | |
| DPL Inc. | Baa | 6.65% | NR* | n/a | 6.65% | |
| DTE Energy | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | |
| Duke Energy | A | 6.19% | A | 5.96% | 6.08% | |
| Edison Int'l | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| El Paso Electric | Baa | 6.65% | BB | 9.38% | 8.02% | |
| Empire Dist. Elec. | Baa | 6.65% | A | 5.96% | 6.31% | |
| Energy East Corp. | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| Entergy Corp. | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| Evergreen Energy Inc | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| Exelon Corp. | A | 6.19% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.38% | |
| FirstEnergy Corp. | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | |
| Florida Public Utilities | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| FPL Group | Aa | 5.91% | A ND* | 5.96% | 5.94% | |
| G't Plains Energy Hawaiian Elec. | Baa NR* | 6.65% | NR* BBB | n/a 6.56% | 6.65% 6.56% | |
| IDACORP Inc. | NR* | n/a n/a | A | 5.96% | 5.96% | |
| | | | NR* | | | |
| Integrys Energy MDU Resources | NR* | 6.56% 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% 6.68% | |
| MGE Energy | NR* NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% 6.79% | 6.68% | |
| NiSource Inc. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.79% | 6.61% | |
| INDUITE IIIC. | Баа | 0.03% | DDD | 0.30% | 0.01% | |
| | | | | | | |
| | 1 | | | | 1 | |

^{*} NR* (not rated) Industry Average Applied unless otherwise indicated. + or - ratings if not graded rounded up or down accordingly. 2007 Year End Rate indicated with n/a shows 2007 bond rate applied with the rating that is available.

| | MERGENT'S BOND | 2007 YEAR END | STANDARD & POORS (S & P) | 2007 YEAR END | BOND RATE |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------|
| ELECTRIC INDUSTRY CON'T. | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S & P</u> | AVERAGE |
| Northeast Utilities | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| NSTAR | А | 6.19% | А | 5.96% | 6.08% |
| OGE Energy | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| Otter Tail Corp. | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| Pepco Holdings | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| PG&E Corp. | A NR* | 6.19% | BBB NR* | 6.56% | 6.38% |
| Pinnacle West Capital PNM Resources | NR* | 6.56% 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| Portland General | NR* | 0.56% n/a | BBB | 6.79% 6.56% | 6.68% 6.56% |
| PPL Corp. | Baa | 6.65% | A | 5.96% | 6.31% |
| Progress Energy | A | 6.19% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.38% |
| Public Serv. Enterprise | A | 6.19% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.38% |
| Puget Energy Inc. | Ba | 7.36% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.96% |
| SCANA Corp. | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| Sempra Energy | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| Sierra Pacific Res. | Ва | 7.36% | В | 10.04% | 8.70% |
| Southern Co. | А | 6.19% | NR* | n/a | 6.19% |
| TECO Energy | Baa | 6.65% | BB | 9.38% | 8.02% |
| UIL Holdings | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| UniSource Energy | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| UNITIL Corp. | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| Vectren Corp. | NR* | 6.56% | NR* | 6.79% | 6.68% |
| Westar Energy | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| Wisconsin Energy | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| Xcel Energy Inc. | Baa | 6.65% | NR* | n/a | 6.65% |
| | Average = | 6.56% | Average = | 6.79% | |
| DISTRIBUTION PIPELINES (PD) | | MERGENT'S | | S&P | AVERAGE |
| DISTRIBUTION FIT ELINES (FD) | | WIERGENT 3 | | <u> 3 </u> | AVENAGE |
| Atmos Energy | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| Chesapeake Utilities Corp. | NR* | 6.88% | NR* | 6.27% | 6.58% |
| Energen Corp. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| Energy West Inc. | NR* | 6.88% | NR* | 6.27% | 6.58% |
| EnergySouth Inc | NR* | 6.88% | NR* | 6.27% | 6.58% |
| Equitable Resources | Baa | 6.65% | A | 5.96% | 6.31% |
| Kinder Morgan Energy | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| Laclede Group | NR* | n/a | A | 5.96% | 5.96% |
| New Jersey Resources | NR* | 6.88% | NR* | 6.27% | 6.58% |
| Nicor Inc. Northwest Nat. Gas | NR* NR* | 6.88% n/a | NR* AA | 6.27% 5.48% | 6.58% 5.48% |
| Northwest Nat. Gas ONEOK Inc. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| Piedmont Natural Gas | NR* | n/a | A | 5.96% | 5.96% |
| Plains All Amer. Pipe. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% |
| RGC Resources Inc | NR* | 6.88% | NR* | 6.27% | 6.58% |
| South Jersey Inds. | NR* | n/a | A | 5.96% | 5.96% |
| Southern Union | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| Southwest Gas | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% |
| WGL Holdings Inc. | NR* | 6.88% | NR* | 6.27% | 6.58% |
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| | | 6.73% | | 6.27% | |

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| BOND RATING AND RATE ANALYSIS FOR TAX YEAR 2008 | | | | | | | |
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| | | 2007 | | 2007 | | | |
| | MERGENT'S | YEAR | STANDARD & POORS | YEAR | BOND | | |
| | BOND | END | (S & P) | END | RATE | | |
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| FLUID PIPELINES (PF) | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S & P</u> | AVERAGE | | |
| Buckeye Partners | NR* | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | | |
| BP p.l.c. | NR * | 6.88% | NR * | 6.39% | 6.64% | | |
| Chevron Corp. | NR * | 6.88% | NR * | 6.39% | 6.64% | | |
| ConocoPhillips | NR * | 6.88% | A | 5.96% | 6.42% | | |
| Enbridge Energy Partners LLP | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| Magellan Midstream | NR * | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | | |
| Occidental Petroleum | NR * | n/a | А | 5.96% | 5.96% | | |
| Plains All American PL | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| TEPPCO Partners L.P. | Ва | 7.36% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.96% | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | Average = | 6.88% | Average = | 6.39% | | | |
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| TRANSMISSION PIPELINES (PT) | | MERGENT'S | | S&P | AVERAGE | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Boardwalk Pipeline (Beta: Ind Average) | NR* | 6.81% | NR * | 7.56% | 7.19% | | |
| El Paso Corp. | Ва | 7.36% | BB | 9.38% | 8.37% | | |
| Enterprise Product Partners | Ва | 7.36% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.96% | | |
| Kinder Morgan Energy Partners | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| ONEOK Partners LP | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| Questar Corp. | NR* | 6.81% | NR * | 7.56% | 7.19% | | |
| Spectra Energy (Beta: Ind Average) | NR * | 6.81% | NR * | 7.56% | 7.19% | | |
| TransCanada Corp. | Α | 6.19% | NR * | n/a | 6.19% | | |
| Williams Cos. | Baa | 6.65% | BB+ | 8.76% | 7.71% | | |
| | Average = | 6.81% | Average = | 7.56% | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| RAILROAD INDUSTRY (RR) | | MERGENT'S | | S&P | AVERAGE | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Burlington Northern | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| CSX Corp. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| Norfolk Southern | NR * | n/a | BBB | 6.56% | 6.56% | | |
| Union Pacific | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| | Average = | 6.65% | Average = | 6.56% | | | |
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| | MERGENT'S BOND | 2007 YEAR END | STANDARD & POORS (S & P) | 2007 YEAR END | BOND RATE | | |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES: (TL) | | MERGENT'S | | S&P | AVERAGE | | |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES. (TL) | | WERGENT 3 | | <u> 3 & F</u> | AVERAGE | | |
| Alaska Communic. | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| AT&T Inc. | A | 6.19% | A | 5.96% | 6.08% | | |
| BCE Inc. | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Cbeyond Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| CenturyTel Inc. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| Citizens Communic. | NR * | 7.49% | BB+ | 8.76% | 8.13% | | |
| Embarg Corp. (Beta: Ind Ave) | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| FiberNet Telecom Group Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Gen'l Communication 'A' | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Global Crossing | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Hickory Tech Corp | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Level 3 Communic. | Caa | 11.98% | CCC | 11.11% | 11.55% | | |
| Qwest Communic. | Ba | 7.36% | В | 10.04% | 8.70% | | |
| Shenandoah Telecommunications | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| SureWest Communications | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Time Warner Telecom Inc | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| Verizon Communic. | Α | 6.19% | A | 5.96% | 6.08% | | |
| | Average | 7.49% | Average | 7.86% | | | |
| RURAL TELEPHONES (TR) | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S&P</u> | AVERAGE | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| CenturyTel Inc. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| Cincinnati Bell | NR * | n/a | BB | 9.38% | 9.38% | | |
| D & E Communications Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| FairPoint Communic. | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Iowa Telecom. Svcs. | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| New Ulm Telecom Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| NTELOS Holdings Corp | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Otelco Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Warwick Valley Tel Co | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Windstream Corp. (Beta: Ind Average) | Ba | 7.36% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.61% | | |
| Average TL Bond Rating applied to Rurals | Average | 7.49% | Average | 7.86% | | | |

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| | 2007 | | | 2007 | | | |
| | MERGENT'S | | STANDARD & POORS | YEAR | BOND | | |
| | BOND | END | (S & P) | END | RATE | | |
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| | | | | | | | |
| MOBILE TELEPHONE COMPANIES: (TM) | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S & P</u> | AVERAGE | | |
| AT&T Inc. | Α | 6.19% | A | 5.96% | 6.08% | | |
| Metro PCS Communic. | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Sprint Nextel Corp. | Baa | 6.65% | BBB | 6.56% | 6.61% | | |
| U.S. Cellular | NR * | n/a | BB+ | 8.76% | 8.76% | | |
| Verizon Communic. | Α | 6.19% | A | 5.96% | 6.08% | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | Average | 6.63% | Average | 7.02% | | | |
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| RESELLERS AND VOIP (TX) | | MERGENT'S | | S & P | AVERAGE | | |
| RECELLERO AND VOII (TA) | | MEROLIVIO | | <u> </u> | AVERAGE | | |
| Covista Communications Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Globetel Communications Corp | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| GoAmerica Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| GTC Telecom Corp | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| IDT Corp. | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| PAETEC Holding Corp. | Caa | 11.98% | NR * | n/a | 11.98% | | |
| Primus Telecom Group | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Rapid Link Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Trinsic Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Ulticom Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| VoIP Inc (Beta Ind ave) | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| Vonage Holdings (Beta Ind ave) | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
| WQN Inc | NR * | 7.49% | NR * | 7.86% | 7.68% | | |
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| Average TL Bond Rating applied to Resellers | = | 7.49% | Fixed Based Average | 7.86% | 1 | | |

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| BOND RATING AND RATE ANALYSIS FOR TAX YEAR 2008 | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--|--|
| | MERGENT'S BOND | 2007 YEAR END | STANDARD & POORS (S & P) | 2007 YEAR END | BOND RATE | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| AFFILIATED POWER PRODUCERS (EN) | | MERGENT'S | | <u>S & P</u> | AVERAGE | | |
| AES Corporation | В | 8.83% | В | 10.04% | 9.44% | | |
| Dynergy | В | 8.83% | В | 10.04% | 9.44% | | |
| Reliant Energy | NR* | 8.83% | NR* | 10.04% | 9.44% | | |
| NRG Energy | NR* | n/a | В | 10.04% | 10.04% | | |
| | Average = | 8.83% | Average = | 10.04% | | | |

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